GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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Bank Accounts for Textile Workers
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has opened nearly five lakh accounts for textile and handicraft workers across the country for transferring their wages and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Union Government has organised camps to open lakhs of accounts for weavers and artisans across the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of accounts activated in the jute sector; and

(d) whether the Government has put in place a mechanism for the use of micro ATMs at 30 weaver service centres and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. Government has launched a special drive for opening of Bank Accounts and promoting Digital Payments in the Textile Sector by organizing special Camps. As on 20.01.2017, a total of 11,86,203 Bank Accounts have been opened and activated for Textile Workers which covers 17,245 Jute Workers also. For the Weavers and Artisans of Handlooms and Handicrafts Sector, 1912 Camps were organized upto 20.01.2017 and a total of 6,28,215 bank accounts opened/Mobile Apps downloaded by the participants. Bank have provided micro- ATM facilities at weaving clusters.

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